

**DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILIES
JOB OPPORTUNITY**

**SUMMER WORKER
(Wilderness School)**

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Open To: **The public**
Location: **East Hartland, CT**
Job Posting # **BM2014WSCO**
Hours: **40**
Salary: **\$10.10 - \$15.00 per hour**
Closing Date: **April 29, 2014**

The Department of Children and Families, Wilderness School, in East Hartland, CT is recruiting for twenty-one (21) Summer Worker positions. Please refer to the positions and position descriptions below. **These positions begin on May 30, 2014 and end on or before November 27, 2014.** Preference will be given to candidates that have the requirements listed in the positions below.

Position Description: The Wilderness School provides intensive experiential programs to Connecticut youth ages thirteen to sixteen and to other children and youth with special needs. The Wilderness School is a prevention, intervention and transition program intended to assist our students to develop self-esteem, internal locus of control and interpersonal skills. Wilderness School offers Expedition programs that range from 5-days to 20-days in length, and one-day programs designed to meet the needs of our clients. Program activities include hiking, camping, team building, rock climbing, high ropes course activities, canoeing, and caving. Additional information on the DCF Wilderness School can be found on our website at www.ct.gov/dcf under "Important Information." Wilderness School is looking for individuals with desire to positively impact the lives of adolescents and the families we serve.

Seasonal Positions:

DCF WILDERNESS SCHOOL SEASONAL PROGRAM SUPERVISOR: Supervises the instructional aspects of the Wilderness School courses, directs instructional and technical training for Wilderness School staff, coordinates food services, and coordinates enrollment functions. Positions include: Seasonal Program Coordinator, Course Director, Summer Supervisor: Outreach, Kitchen, Enrollment, or Logistics Climbing Supervisor. **Requirements:** Expedition experience, group facilitation skills, supervisory skills, Current 1) Wilderness First Responder, or equivalent (WAFA or WFA may be considered); Current 2) American Heart Association (AHA) Healthcare Provider or American Red Cross (ARC) Professional Rescuer CPR; Current 3) Wilderness School Medication Administration Training (provided); Current 4) ARC Lifeguard certification and Waterfront training, or equivalent preferred. 5) Driver's license preferred. (Summer Supervisor: Logistics Climbing Supervisor- Current AMGA- American Mountain Guides Association, PCIA- Professional Climbing Instructors' Association or equivalent rock climbing certification preferred.) (Summer Supervisor: Kitchen- do not require specified-WFR, WAFA, WFA and CPR certifications, Food Safe Certification Preferred) **Required Certifications must be attained and current by June 9, 2014.**

DCF WILDERNESS SCHOOL LEAD INSTRUCTOR/INSTRUCTOR: Supervises and leads groups of up to ten students during the 20-Day or 5-Day Expedition. Provides skills instruction in backpacking, wilderness camping, map and compass, flat water and white water canoeing, rock climbing and rappelling, first aid, personal hygiene and ecology; provides small group and individual support for adolescents of various backgrounds. Instructs one-day technical and experiential outdoor programs. Positions include: Lead Instructor, Instructor, and Base camp Instructor. **Requirements:** Expedition experience, group facilitation skills Current 1) Wilderness First Responder or equivalent (WAFA or WFA may be considered); Current 2) American

Heart Association (AHA) Healthcare Provider or American Red Cross (ARC) Professional Rescuer CPR; Current 3) Wilderness School Medication Administration Training (provided); Current 4) ARC Lifeguard certification and Waterfront training, or equivalent preferred. Current 5) ACA (American Canoe Association) certification or equivalent preferred, 6) Driver's license preferred. **Required Certifications must be attained and current by June 9, 2014.**

DCF WILDERNESS SCHOOL BASE CAMP STAFF: Provides base camp support to groups engaged in field activities and conducts base camp Officer of the Day and Back up duties as required; provides transports of students, staff, and supplies to the field. Positions include: Assistant Cook, Food Handler, Enrollment Specialist, Logistics/Climbing Specialist. **Requirements:** Demonstrated skills and abilities as required by positions. Current 1) Wilderness First Aid, or equivalent; Current 2) American Heart Association (AHA) Healthcare Provider or American Red Cross (ARC) Professional Rescuer CPR; Current 3) ARC Lifeguard certification and Waterfront training, or equivalent preferred. 4) Driver's license preferred. (For Logistics/Climbing Specialist- AMGA- American Mountain Guides Association, PCIA-Professional Climbing Instructor Association or equivalent rock climbing certification preferred.) (Assistant Cook, Food Handler, and Enrollment Specialist: do not require specified-WFR, WAFA, WFA and CPR certification) **Required Certifications must be attained and current by June 9, 2014.**

Application Instructions: Applicants must submit a CT-HR-12 (employment application), resume, letter of intent, three (3) letters of SUPERVISORY reference. The filling of this position shall be in keeping with established reemployment, transfer, promotion, and SEBAC employment obligations. Include the specified posting number on all application materials. Please mail all application materials to the address indicated. Application material can also be faxed to (860) 550-6433.

INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED.

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